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VIA E FILING

Jocelyn D. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk and Administrator
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for Adjustment of Rates and Charges
and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Water
and Sewer Service
Docket No. 2017-292-WS

Dear Ms. Boyd:

As the record will reflect, I represent Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS") in the above captioned action. CWS has agreed to withdraw its request for a Utility System Improvement Rate ("USIR") in this docket without prejudice and accepts the ORS recommendation to examine the USIR and other alternative methodologies in a separate docket.

CWS' application seeks authority to create a USIR and procedure to permit the company to recover certain reasonable and prudent capital improvements without the need for a general rate case. York County intervened in the docket to object to the approval of the USIR. The ORS has recommended that the USIR and other alternative regulation and ratemaking methodologies be examined by the Commission in a separate proceeding upon petition of the interested water and wastewater utility, allowing for a thorough examination of the legal implications as well as benefits and risks to the ratepayer, utility and economic development. (See Schellinger testimony at page 14, lines 13-18). CWS has agreed to withdraw its request for a USIR in this docket and in turn York County has agreed to withdraw its intervention.

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Accordingly, CWS will withdraw its request for the establishment of the USIR in this docket without prejudice. I understand that counsel for the ORS and York County will inform the commission of their assent by separate correspondence. I would invite counsel for Forty Love and Mr. Knowlton to respond with their positions regarding CWS's withdrawal of the request of the USIR. Please let me know if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicated below:

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